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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence FILE *Personnel* 13

SUBJECT : Nomination of Dr. Albert Wheelon for the
1966 Arthur S. Flemming Award

1. This memorandum transmits for your signature a letter addressed to Mr. William B. Belford, Chairman of The Arthur S. Flemming Awards Commission, nominating Dr. Albert Wheelon for the 1966 Arthur S. Flemming Award.

2. The District of Columbia Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsors annually the Arthur S. Flemming Awards Program honoring young men in the Federal service who have performed unusual and outstanding work of distinct benefit to the Government. Ten awards are made each year; five are given to outstanding young men in scientific or technical fields, and five to outstanding young men in administrative or executive fields.

3. The Agency has nominated candidates for the Flemming Awards in previous years, but we have never had an Agency winner of this award. The document nominating Dr. Wheelon was prepared by a representative of the Office of Science and Technology. Due to security considerations and the sensitivity of the Agency's functions in the field of science and technology, we could not elaborate on the scientific achievements of our candidate. For this reason it is recommended that you suggest that a representative of the Agency brief the panel of judges selecting candidates for this award if they desire more information concerning Dr. Wheelon's achievements.

4. The letter to Mr. Belford and the nominating document have been reviewed and concurred in by a representative of the Office of Security. It is recommended that you sign the attached letter to Mr. Belford and the Nomination Form for submission to the Flemming Awards Commission. The deadline for the submission of nominations is 1 December 1965.

/s/ Emmett D. Echols
Emmett D. Echols
Director of Personnel

Attachments: A/S

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Mr. William B. Belford, Chairman
The Arthur S. Flemming Awards Commission
1729 H Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Belford:

The Central Intelligence Agency nominates Dr. Albert D. Wheelon, the Deputy Director for Science and Technology in this Agency, for the Arthur S. Flemming Awards Program.

Dr. Wheelon, a brilliant and imaginative research scientist, has had a key role in the development and direction of the Agency's scientific research and technological programs. He has an outstanding record of academic preparation, professional competence and scientific leadership in the intelligence community of the United States. He has provided leadership, both as a scientist and as an administrator, in the management of complex scientific programs during a period when the development of scientific and technological capabilities has been of critical importance to the security of our nation. I believe his outstanding contributions to the scientific intelligence efforts of the United States and to the field of science merit public recognition.

I am sure that the panel of judges selected to review nominations for the Flemming Awards will understand that security considerations surrounding many of Dr. Wheelon's achievements limit the extent to which they can be substantiated in the enclosed document. Because of this limitation, I will ask one of our senior officials to brief the panel on Dr. Wheelon's work in this Agency if more detail is desired. My thanks to you and other members of the District of Columbia Junior Chamber of Commerce for their continued efforts to give public recognition to distinguished young men in the Federal Government.

Originator:

Director of Personnel

Sincerely,

Concur:

Deputy Director for Support

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W. F. Rabera
Director

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